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Lumpkin Hired as New Director of Development Services

TAYLOR, Texas – Ashley Lumpkin will join the City of Taylor staff as the new Director of Development Services effective Sept. 21, 2015. Lumpkin was selected among a strong candidate pool of highly qualified individuals and is a second generation city planner.

Lumpkin has more than 14 years' experience in the planning field and most recently worked for the City of Round Rock, Texas for nine years as a senior planner. She has an extensive background working in cities with exponential growth in the last 10 years, including Chandler and Queen Creek Ariz., Plano and Round Rock, Texas. She is a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners since 2008 and has been recognized for her creative problem solving and customer service skills.

“We are looking forward to having Ashley as a member of our team and working with her to continue to transition the Development Services Department to an even more customer service oriented and technology efficient department,” said City Manager Isaac Turner.

Lumpkin has assisted her team in winning numerous American Planning Association awards during her tenure in Round Rock to include the 2014 APA Central Texas Section Project Planning Award for the City of Round Rock's new downtown mixed-use districts. Additionally, she has received the APA's Certificate of Achievement for Planning Excellence in 2011 and 2014.

“I look forward to making a lasting, positive impact as the City of Taylor's Development Services Director,” said Lumpkin. “I am excited to begin establishing relationships with the community and streamlining the development processes in the coming weeks.”

Lumpkin earned her master of business administration in public administration from the University of Phoenix in Phoenix, Ariz. in 2008 and her bachelor's degree in urban and regional planning from Texas State University in San Marcos, Texas in 2001.

The Director of Development Services is responsible for the oversight of building inspections, code enforcement, current and long-range planning, housing and community redevelopment efforts, assisting with economic development projects and numerous other duties as assigned.

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